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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Jean-Marc ASCIONE et al.) Group Art Unit: 1713
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Application No.: 09/809,007) Examiner: Harlan, Robert D.
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Filed: March 16, 2001)
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For: STABILIZING COMPOSITIONS)
COMPRISING AT LEAST TWO)
ANIONIC ASSOCIATIVE POLYMERS,)
THEIR USE FOR STABILIZATION OF)
NON-SOLID COMPOSITIONS, AND)
COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING AT)
LEAST ONE STABILIZING)
COMPOSITION)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In response to the final Office Action dated October 30, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and remarks. In view of the one month shortened statutory period for response, Applicants extend the period for response one month to December 30, 2003, by the petition and fee accompanying this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 18 of this document. The claims are to be amended by cancellation of claims 73-76. A complete set of claims is set forth below.

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